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# RADICAL CHANGES PROPOSED BY TAFT

He Suggests Establishment of Interstate Commerce Court.

#### STOCK WATERING MUST BE STOPPED

President Fears Congress Will Not Have Time to Accomplish Many Reforms He Has Mapped Out and All That Has Been Promised.

#### Taft Mapping Out Work for Congress

"Indeed, when I look forward to the next session of Congress I trem-ble lest the session will not be long enough, and that it will not be pos-sible to do all that has been prom-

"I have not the slightest hesita-tion in recommending to Congress that the power of the Interstate Commerce Commission should be extended to include not only the fix-ing of rates after complaint, but also the readjustment of classifica-tion if it proves, on complaint, to be unions.

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"It has been suggested that the antifrust law ought to limit its denunciation to those contracts in restraint of trade that are unreasonable. I do not favor any such

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rations of policy he has outlined for his trip. Having disposed of his views on the tariff at Winona, the President addressed himself to the interstate commerce and anti-trust laws, and de-tailed at length the recommendations for amendments to the statutes that he for amendments to the statute that in will make to Congress in his mes-sage of December next. At Denver to morrow night Mr. Taft probably will discuss the conservation of nationa

#### New Court Proposed.

DES MOINES, IA., September 20.— During the little more than four hours he spent here to-day, President Taft made an open-air address to an immanse an open-an address to an im-mense crowd gathered from all the surrounding country, in which he dis-sussed in detail the changes he will recommend to Congress in the inter-state commerce and ann-trust laws. The President announced that he would urge the establishment of an interurge the establishment of an inter-plate commerce court of five mem-bers to consider appeals from rates fixed by the interstate Commerce Com-mission. He will also recommend legislation to prevent one interstate railroad company from owning stock in a competing line, and compel roads thus owning stock to dispose of their holdings within a given time. Legis-lation to prevent the over-issue of stocks and bonds and the watering of stocks and bonds kind the watering of stocks will be strongly recommended, the President's proposition being that no stocks or bonds shall be issued ex-cept by permission of the Interstate Commerce Commission after an inquiry has been made into their necessity. The glying to shippers of the choice

The giving to shippers of the choice of routes in the shipment of freight is another impostant provision which the President favors.

In taking up the antitrust law President Taft declared that he knew of no way in which a distinction would be made between "good" and "bad" trusts, for he regarded all combinations to suppress competition and to maintain a monopoly to be in the same category.

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The President also discussed at some length the proposal to except labor unions and farmers organizations from the operation of antitrust laws. To specifically except these organizations, he declared, would be vicious legislation, but he pointed a way in which they could be relieved of some of the onerous restrictions now placed upon them, but at the same time be held amenable to injunctions, which if Centinued on Page Two-Column 2)

#### MONEY IS WAITING

foreigners Will Invest Here If Federal Supervision is Secured.

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 20.

"Hundreds of millions of dollars are in England, France and Germany awaiting investment in American railroads as soon as the investors can be assured of absolute Federal regulation."

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This statement was made to-day by Commissioner Franklin K. Lane, of the Interstate Commerce Commissione, who has just returned from a trip of nearly three months in Europe. He visited, in his journey, England, France, Gormany, Switzerland and Italy, and studied the railroad situation in all of those countries.

"Men of money abroad," continued Commissioner Lane, "are satisfied that America is on the eve of a phenomenal era of prosperity, and are ready and anxious to invest their money in any stable enterprise in this country, but what they want is some assurance from the government that their investments will be protected in a fair way. They would like to see the capitalization of our railroads hedged about by Federal legislation, so, that a purchaser of stock would be assured of getting what he paid for. With the enactment of a law to prevent overcapitalization. American railways would have no difficulty in obtaining in Europe all the money necessary for their development.

Commissioner Lane will leave Washington the latter part of the week for Chicago, where he will attend a meeting of the demurrage committee of the National Association of Railroad Commissioners, to be held in that city next Monday. The tentative demurrage rules agreed upon by the committee several months ago will be up for consideration and amendment. It is expected that a set of rules will be adopted for presentation at the annual meeting of the association to be held in this city November 15. Commissioner Lane, after the meeting at Chicago, will join the other members of the commissioner on the Pacific coast trip at Spokane.

MISSISSIPPI TRAFFIC PLAN

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Congressmen in \$10,000,000 Corporation Chartered in Delaware.

DOVER, DEL., September 20.—The Mississippi Valley Transportation Company, with a capitalization of \$10,000,000, was chartered here to-day. Senator William J. Stone and Congressmat Champ Clark, of Missouri, and 112 oth-Champ Clark, of Missouri, and 12 ota-ers, including a number of Congress-men, are the incorporators. The con-cern will operate a transportation line on the Mississippi River, which, it is claimed, will revolutionize traffic on

President, W. K. Kavanaugh; Vice-President, Congressman Richard Bar-tholdt, of Missouri; Secretary, John L.

Matthews.

O MAHA, NEB., September 20.—
President Taft, leaving the "insurgent" States of Minnesota and Iowa behind him crossed the Missouri River to-day and stopped in Omaha for the afternoon and evening, on his way to the Pacific Coast.

The President found at Omaha a street car strike. To avoid possibility of trouhle, Mayor James C. Dahimann ordered that no attempts be made to run cars during the President's stay. The strike did not prevent the gathering of a great crowd in the downtown district, and there were times when the President's automobile had difficulty in making its way.

The President found at Omaha and received a joyous greeting from the children, who stood in front, waving flags and cheering. The greetings he has received from the school children, who stood in front, waving flags and cheering. The greetings he has received from the school children in every city visited have impressed Mr. Taft more deeply than any other feature of his trip.

Witnesses Initiation.

To-night the President was a guest of the Nights of All-Seater President Kavanaugh said: "We expect to build about 180 barges, all steel and snag-proof, and expect that our tow boats will give us a fleet cacapity per annum of about 5,000,000 itons." It was explained that the concept would put into operation a new wood in grow and stamboats, engaged in agriculture, forestry, merchandizing and mail trade. Warehouses will be built, it is claimed, and warehouses will be built be built it is claimed, and warehouses will be built be built, it is claimed, and warehouses will be built be built it is claimed, and warehouses will be built be built it is claimed, and expect that our tow boats will give us a fleet cacapity boat sawill sna

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#### JAP PRINCE A MARKSMAN

Kuni Proves Skill With Rifle Before
New Yorkers,
MONTICELIO, N. Y., September 20,Prince Kuni Yoshi Kuni, Japan's representative at the Hudson-Fultoa
celebration, had an opportunity here to
justify his reputation as one of the
best marksmen in the Japanese army.
The prince spent the morning at
target practice with the experts of the
Monticello Gun Club. Although using
a rifle, with which he was to a great
extent unfamiliar, he scored several
difficult buil's-eyes.

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The Prince and Princess Kuni, with their attendants, who arrived yestorday at Merriwold Park, the country residence of Dr. Takamine, a prominent Japanese chemist, will leave to-morrow by special train for West Point, where they are to be the guests of the government for the day.

#### TRIAL BEGINS TO-DAY

James Farnum Will Face Court on Charge of Grafting.

COLUMBIA, S. C., September 20,—The case against James S. Farnum, accused of bribery in connection with alleged grafting in the purchase of liquors for the old State dispensary, will be taken up for trial to-morrow. This afternoon Attorney-General Lyon moved that the case be tried to-morrow. The defense opposed this, asking a continuance, which was refused by the court.

Farnum is one of seven men indicted for bribery and conspiracy to defraud the State in the purchase of supplies for the dispensary. The other cases will be pressed to trial as soon as possible.

## FOR HUDSON-FULTON FETE

State Department Advised of Repre-sentatives From Various Governments, WASHINGTON, D. C., September 20, The State Department has been in-

# IS FOUND GUILTY

Jury Convicts Him of Using Mails to Defraud.

#### COUNSEL ENTERS PLEA OF INSANITY

Jury Out But Fifteen Minutes in Case of A. C. Eby, Who Threatened to Destroy Railroad Property Unless Paid \$45,000. Sentence De-

ferred.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

HILADELPHIA, PA., September 20.
—Abram C. Eby, the Mayor of Burkeville, Va., who threatened to destroy property of the Norfolk and Western Railroad unless President McCrea, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, agreed to pay him \$45,000 in cash and give him a position as counsel in the Pennsylvania system, was convicted of using the mails to defraud before Judge worth as its expected of Fickel using the mails to defraud before Judge as his wife," said the judge.

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Caught in Trap.

A meeting was arranged between the pair, and Derousse was asked by Eby to forward \$150 to Burkeville for travelting expenses. This was done, and Eby came to this city. He was arrested as he and Derousse lett the Third National Bank, after he had received a bogus check.

Postal Inspector William L. Caivert testified that Eby had admitted the authorship of the letters.

An interesting sidelight on the man's threats was shown in the testimony of Derousse. Eby told him, the chief clerk testified, that his father had lost \$100,000 speculating in Pennsylvania Raliroad stock.

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Insanity was the plea of the defensater Eby's counsel had asked in vain to have the case dismissed on the plea that the court lacked jurisdiction. He made a plea for acquittal on the ground that the writing of the threatening letter was the work of a discased mind. He asked for a verdict of not guilty in order that his client might be confined in an institution for the insane. Senience was deferred by the court, and Eby was returned to Moyamensing prison.

#### FLEET SAILS FOR NEW YORK

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Hudson-Fulton Celebration.

NORFOLK, VA., September 20.—
Leaving behind the battleship Louislana, which lost one of her anchors
in attempting to raise it; the cruiser
Montana, which will go to Lewes, Del.,
to-morrow, and the auxiliary cruiser
Dixie, the remainder of the warships
of the Atlantic fieet left Hampton
Roads for New York at 4 o'clock this
afternoon.

When the warships passed out the
Capes, with the flagship Connecticut
leading, they ran into a stiff northeaster, which caused the lighter draught
ships to roll somewhat, but did not
interfere with their headway.

Proceeding in single column until
they reached the open sea, the giant
ships, when sufficiently far off the
coast, turned their prows northward
and swung into double column formation, to maintain this until their arrival at the naval anchorage off Tompkinsville, Stater Island, where they
romain until Saturday, when they will
participate in the marine pageant of
the Hudson-Fulton celebration.

The Mexican cruiser-gunboat Morelos preceded the fleet by some hours.
She will represent Mexico in the Hudson-Fulton pageant.

#### LEOPARD ESCAPES

Injures Boy Terribly Before Heing Dispatched With an Axe.

ST. PAUL, MINN., September 20.—A crowd of 200 persons was thrown into a panic to-day when a leopard, which was being exhibited here, broke from its cage, attacked Martin Martinson, aged four years, and tore the boy's right arm almost from its socket and clawed off one of the child's ears.

Charles Reustrom, 'a blacksmith, rushed from his shop nearby and killed the leogard with one blow of an axe,

#### PROSECUTION URGED

on Employment Agencies.

PITTSBURG, PA., September 20.—
gain urging them to take some acion against the employment agencies
that furnished mon to the Pressed
seel Car Company at Schoenville during the recent strike there, United
states District Attorney John J. Jor-States District Attorney John J. Jordan to-night sent to Governors Edwin S. Stuart, of Pennsylvania, and Chas. E. Hughes, of New York, a copy of the testimony taken during the Federal investigation into conditions at the plant during the strike, and also sent them a letter recommending that charges against employment agencies of New York and Philadelphia bepressed at once. The Governors are told that the Federal government hopes that the matter will not be overlooked. It is alleged that the imported work men were brought here without being told exactly where they were going or without being given copies of the contracts they were required to sign.

#### REFUSES THE LOAN

Cleveland Man Sees Former Wife Seatened to Prison.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, September 20.—
Rather than loan his former wife \$500, which would have kept her from going to prison, Jacob Fickel, a brewer, saw her sentenced to the penitentiary for two years here to-day. Sentence was suspended, and Mrs. Fickel's son will attempt to raise the money to save his mother.

Mrs. Fickel embezzied \$592.76 from the estate of Bertha Bosenhardt while

#### NOT HIS FIGHT

Heavy Damages Asked From Burley
Tobacco Society.
CINCINNATI, OHIO, September 20.—
Another suit has been filed in the
United States Circuit Court in Covington, Ky., against the Burley TobaccoSociety and several men who are alleged to have been members of the
society. The plaintiffs are Frischmuth, Brother & Co., of Philadelphia,
The demand is for \$163,049, as the
amount of overcharges for tobacco.
The plaintiffs charge that Clarenes
Lebus, president, and nine other members of the Burley Society combinel
with the society to increase the price
of tobacco by a monopoly in restraint
of trade and in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

#### ATTEMPTED LYNCHING

Mob Angry When It Heard Negro Tried to Sell Body of Dead Wife.

PITTSBURG, PA., September 20.—A mob of 300 negroes and foreigners attempted to lynch John Watkins, colored, a cripple, here to-night, and before two reserve forces of policome who were rushed to the scene could reach the victim he had been seriously intured.

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The riot occurred in the negro settlement of the city, and started over a report that Watkins had tried to sell the body of his wife, who died yesterday, for \$10. It was later learned that the man did not have money to bury his wife, and had applied to the Department of Charities for aid.

#### BISHOP WARD DEAD

There were French invaders, too, of The Methodist Episcopal Church, Sailps which are to represent France to the celebration, passed in through the Narrows to their anchorage beneath Riverside Drive. A jaunty flag flown by the leading warship announced at the celebration of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died this afternoon. The bishop arrived in Kobe last month on his regular tour of inspection of the Methodist missions of Japan, and he was in command of the little fleet.

The city finds itself to-night clad in carrival style, decorated in the red, white and blue of the American flag, and the orange, white and light blue of Hudson and old Holland.

Manhattan and sister boroughs alike have taken on the appearance of a gigantic country fair.

Among the hottol managers there is some disagreement as to the magnitude which the "rush" will attain.

Even if there are 2.000,000 visitors—and the more sanguine estimators place their maximum well beyond that—there will probably be plenty of room for them all. The preparations for the various festivities have gone on apace, and there is no likelihood of any hitch in the program.

FLEET SAILS FOR NFW YORK

Street Car Employes Make Settlement With Employers.

CHICAGO, ILL., Septembor 20.—
Peace for at least three years will be assured in the street car union in this city by the signing to-day by union crificials representing the employes of the Chicago Railways Company, which operates the North and West Side lines, of the wage scale offered by the street car officials. The scale is practicelly the same as that accepted a few days ago by employes of the South Side lines. Material concessions are granted the

## EIGHTH DIES OF PELLAGRA

North Carolian Woman Succumbs in a Charlotte Heapital.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., September 20.—

Mrs. Buena Dinkins died at the Pres byterian Hospital this morning of pelagra, the eighth victim of the disease since its presence was announced in the community. The woman was taken ill a year ago. Seven other cases are now under treatment.

#### FORMER BANKER ARRESTED

He Is Charked With Having Embez-zled Funds of Institution. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., September 20.—W. M. Burnette, formerly teller of the Bank of Graniteville, S. C., was ac-rested here yesterday on a telegram the Bank of Graniteville, S. C., was arrested here yesterday on a telegration from Graniteville saying he was wanted there for embozziement.

The amount of the bank's funds involved is reported to be \$25,000.

## FORCE AHEAD WORK ON SHIPS

Builders Ask Government for Test of Delaware on October 20.

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 20.

—The Newport News Shipbuilding Company Has asked the Navy Department for a trial trip, of the battleship Delaware on October 20. The probability is the vessel may be delivered some months ahead of contract time. The battleship North Dakota is in a like stage of completion at Quincy,

# PROSECUTION URGED DISCOUNTING WAR DR. COOK DREADS LANDING ORDEAL

He Fears Repetition in Brooklyn of Scenes in Copenhagen.

#### HOPING FOR REST WITH HIS FAMILY

Explorer Spends Night in Vessel Off Fire Island and Will Make Triumphal Entry Into Port This Morning-Great Demonstration Prepared.

The steamship Oscar The steamship Oscar II., with Dr Frederick A. Cook on board weighed anchor and started for Quaran tine at 12:20 o'clock this morning.

NEW YORK, September 20 .- "It's nood to be an American; it seems that have been gone ten years."
Gazing towards the lights of New York after an absence since July 4. 1907, these were the first sentiments expressed to-night by Dr. Frederick A. Cook, of Brooklyn, as he paced the deck of the steamship Oscar II., wait-

plorer, who reported via the Shetland islands on September 1, that he had unfurled the American flag at the North Pole on April 21, 1998.

Though sixty miles from the city proper, the Oscar II. was in easy wireless communication with New York during the day and night. Dr. Cook was on deck almost constantly.

Dreads the Ordeal.

"I feel anxious to get ashore," he said to those who were grouped about him on the deck. "It seems about ten years since I left, instead of only two and a half, but I dread the ordeal of landing to-morrow. I would much prefer landing quickly and quietly, without a repetition of the scene at Copenhagen. I hope that I shall be left in peace with my family by to-morrow night at least."

Some New York papers were brought on board this evening, containing long reports concerning Commander Peary's achievement. Dr. Cook read them carefully, then said:

"There is nothing new here, and I shall wait until something more definite is published before saying anything further on the matter."

Aside from this short reference to Peary, Dr. Cook's expression to-day and to-night chiefly concerned the joy of his arrival at home. It was a day of varied emotion for the explorer, and although he is not an emotional man, his eyes glistened as he saw the beach of Fire Island as the Oscar II, passed close in shore, and the passengers were table to distinguish plainly objects on land.

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The first tugs, bearing the advance guard of newspaper men from New York, reached the Oscar II, to-night, but no one was allowed aboard the

but no one was allowed aboard the vessel except Anthony Flain, the Arcice explorer, who is a friend of Dr. Cook. He swung himself up from a tug, held a brief conversation with the explorer, and departed.

It is evident that Dr. Cook wishes to avoid a demonstrative reception tomorrow, and his attitude may curtail some of the arrangements in Brooklyn, which have been only tentatively made pending some announcement from him. The Oscar II. will make, her way slowly to quarantine, so as to reach there about half-past 8. There Mrs. Cook, accompanied by the two chil-Cook, accompanied by the two children, will meet hin Will Meet Explorer

The steamboat Grand Republic will carry a party of friends and enthusi-asts down the bay to meet him. The Grand Republic will take him to the

Grand Republic will take him to the Brooklyn waterfront, whence he will make his entry into the city oy automobile.

The greatest demonstration, however, will be held at the Bushwick Ciub, in Dr. Cook's home section of Brooklyn, about noon to-morrow.

-Music, cheering and a display of colors will greet Dr. Cook when he sets foot in Brooklyn. A triumphui arch has been erected opposite his old home, under which the parade of automobiles, with the explorer in the foremost, will pass en route to the

automobiles, with the explorer in the foremost, will pass en route to the Fushwick Club. There his old friends and neighbors will felicitate him until he sees fit to withdraw for the rest he surely will need.

The Arctic (Club of America, of which Dr. Cook is a member, has made no announcement of any official action looking to the settlement, scientifically, of Dr. Cook's claim. As Dr. Stebbins, chairman of the club's executive committee, expressed it:

"The entire controversy will adjust itself in time. We are receiving Dr. Cook as a member of the club, who has announced to the world that he has aliscovered the North Pole. We believe that he has." hat he has."

Will Reach Sydney To-Day, SYDNEY, N. S. September 20.—Th Roosevelt is working her way slowly down the Cape Breton coast to-night and Commander Robert E. Peary will

Roosevelt is working her way slowly down the Cape Breton coast te-night, and Commander Robert E. Peary will reach here in the morning. The Roosevelt anchored off St. Paul's Island all day, and at 5:30 o'clock to-night proceeded on her way to Sydney. The steam yacht Sheelah, owned by James Rose, president of the Dominion Coal Company, with Mrs. Peary, Miss Marle Peary and little Robert E. Peary, went nearly to St. Paul's Island, but did not sight the Roosevelt, and returned here after 11 o'clock to-night. The Sheelah will go down the bay again in the morning.

Mrs. Peary, her daughter, Marle, and little Robert E. Peary undoubtedly met the commander to-night, the Peary family having salled north on the steam yacht Sheelah, owned by James Ross, president of the Dominion Coal Company.

#### UTTER LACK OF HOPE

lovernor Johnson Is Now Very Near Governor Johnson Is New Very Near Death's Door.

ROCHESTER, MINN., September 21 (1 o'clock).—After a night of utter lack of hope, Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, Hes at this hour near death. The latest statement concerning his condition came from Dr. W. J. Mayo at 12 o'clock. The doctor said then there was no hope, and that in an hour there was no hope, and that in an hour the Governor would probably be dead. The Governor was conscious at that time and complained of being unconfortable. He has been conscious all night and evidently realizes that the end is near, although he says nothing. Mrs. Johnson is with him.

ROCHESTER, MINN., September 21 (1:15 A. M.)—Governor Johnson is still alive. The physicians are making desperate efforts to prolong his life. Dr. McNevin is fanning him. The Governor suffers with a racking cough at short intervals. The nurses raise him in bed to give him air.

#### TRIAL IS BEGUN

American Missionaries Face Court on Charge of Libel. LEOPOLDVILLE, BELGIAN CONGO. September 20.—After several postpone-ments, the trial of the two American missionaries, the Rev. William Morri-son and the Rev. W. H. Sheppard, on charges of libel, began here to-day.

The suit against the missionaries was brought by one of the Congo concession companies, which has a monopoly of rubber gathering in the Kasai region. It claims \$20,000 damages from each of the men for "calumnious donunciation!" The circumstances are such that the suit is considered as brought by the Beigian government against the missionaries.

#### HOTEL GUESTS STARTLED

Several Hundred Excited at Pittsburg

Cook, of Brooklyn, as he paced the deck of the steamship Oscar II., wating for daylight and his actual return to his native land.

Dr. Cook is virtually at home tonight, for the Oscar II. is anchored off Fire Island, marking time, as it were, so that there may be no hitch in the home-coming reception for the explorer, who reported via the Shetland Islands on September 1, that he had Islands on September 20.—A mysterious explosion of nitro-glycerine or dynamic early to-day at West Brownsville, Pa., near here, injured two persons and partly destroyed the Hotel Atwood. The Structures adjoin, and the police suspect that enemies of the proprietors made an attempt to ruin their places.

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injuries in the rush for the outs. The damage is estimated at \$5,000.

#### PASSED STEAMER ON FIRE

Believed to Have Been Missing British Belleved to Have Been Missing British
Ship with 300 Aboard.

MANILA, September 20.—The British
steamer Harlow, Captain Bruce, from
Newport News, June 14, for Port Natal
and Manila, reports that on July 27,
while 180 miles from Durban, she
passed a steamer aftre. The vessel in
question, whose name it was impossiquestion, whose name it was impossi-ble to make out, was shortly after-ward destroyed by an explosion. It is supposed that this steamer was

the missing British steamer Waratah which, wih 300 persons on board, has not been heard from since July 26.

## RED CROSS APPEAL

Assistance Sorely Needed for Mexicus WASHINGTON D. C. September 20,
—The National Red Cross today issued and appeal to all its branches in
the United States to procure food and

clothing for the benefit of the flood clothing for the benefit of the flood sufferers in Mexico.

In a dispatch to the State Depart-ment to-day Consul Hann, at Mon-terey, further depicted the great loss and intense suffering caused by the Nexican floods. "The conditions are terrible," he teleghaphed, adding that he is assisting in every way possible to extend aid.

## TO ENJOIN HASKELL

Legal Procedure to Prevent Oklahoma
Pipe Line Interference.
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAA, September 20.—Federal Judge Campbell, at McAlester, to-day, on behalf of the Norris Pipe Line Company and three other concerns, granted a temporary injunction against Governor Haskell and Attorney-General West, restraining them from interfering with the companies in constructing pipe lines to points without the State. Bonds for the companies were fixed in the aggregate at \$225,000, and a hearing was set for next Monday.

#### MOORS SUFFER HEAVY LOSS

for next Monday.

Mauretania's Time Between New York and Queenstown. QUEENSTOWN, September 20.—The Mauretania touched at Queenstown at 23 minutes past 6 o'clock this morn time from New York was four days thirteen hours and thirty-one minutes

#### HEAVY DAMAGE DONE

and her average speed for the trip was

Loss Caused by Storm in Pinar Del Rio Is \$1,000,000.

HAVANA, September 20.—Telegraph wires and bridges between here and Pinar del Rio are still down, and consequently it has been impossible to ascertain the extent of the damage wrought by the storm last week in that section. It has been learned, ascertain the extent of the damage wrought by the storm last week in that section. It has been learned, however, that hundreds of peasants are destitute by reason of the destruction of their huts and crops.

The total loss in Pinar del Rio is estimated at \$1,000,000.

Long Cruise for the Duke.

LONDON, September 20.—According to the Globe's Rome correspondent, the Duke of Abruzzi, at his expressed wish, has been assigned to the command of a squadron which will sail in December on a long cruise. The squadron will call at Portsmouth, Palma, Lisbon, Brest, Copenhagen, Riel and Hamburg. It is believed in Italy that this disposes of American rumors as to the duke's matrimonial projects.

Charged With Kidanpping Girl.
PITTSBURG. September 20.—The
Pittsburs police are searching for
James Larry, aged thirty-five, alleged
to have kidanpped Mary Cinimero,
hirteen years old, of Niles, Ohio. He
is believed to have brought the girl
here Thursday. Assisting the authorities is Constable-H. A. Walsh, of Niles,
Larry was a hoarder at the Cinimero
home. No trace of the couple has been
found here,

# STORM-ROCKED, NEW ORLEANS IS IN GRAVE PERIL

Isolated From World, With Waters Crashing at Her Dikes

#### HELD IN GRASP OF HURRICANE

Gulf Coast Cities Swept by Wind and Flood of Violence Seldom Equaled-Frightful Havoc Done to Property, With

Cost in Lives Yet

Unknown.

N EW ORLEANS, LA, september 20,
—After attaining a velocity of
sixty miles an hour at New Orleans at 7 o'clock to-night, the West udian hurrienne, which struck the ouisiana and Mississippi gulf coast, and been reduced at a late hour to-

night in its intensity.

It left in its wake four dead at New Orleans and perhaps others along the guilf coast, though no definite advices of mortality in other sections have thus far been received here.

The property loss in New Orleans will exceed \$100,000.
At a late hour to-night, the tracks of the Louislann and Nashville Rail-road, which have been inundated some twenty miles east of New Orleans, have

twenty miles east of New Orleans, have not been fully repaired. It is presumed, however, that the trains of this road will run into New Orleans by tomorrow morning.

The list of dead at New Orleans; .Victor Pajol, street rullway inspector, killed by live wire, James Gardettson, foreman street railway company, killed by live wire. Charles Schultz, killed by falling smokesinck, at Louislana Brewery.

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The velocity of the wind at New Or-leans was the most intense in the his-tory of the local bureau.

Storm Far-Reaching.

MEMPHIS, TENN., September 20.—
Fragmentary reports from points in Southern Louisiana and Mississippi give evidence that a severe tropical hurricane is sweeping along the Mississippi-Louisiana gulf coast tonight, damaging shipping, wrecking the more frail structures and seriously impeding railread traffic. New Orleans, apparently the storm centre, has been cut off from communication since 4:30 this afternoon.

At the office of the Illinois Central Railroad here announcement was made that train No. 6 of that railroad, due to leave New Orleans at 4:30 this afternoon, had been detoured over the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley route via Baton Rouge, the tracks of the Illinois Central route between New Orleans and Kenner, being under water, and many miles of track are washed away.

From Biloxi and Scranton and the gulf coast of Mississippi, meagre reports tell of the lamage to shipping and buildings along the beach, and so far as can be ascertained at this hour one life has been lost.

Natchez, Miss., is cut off from communication by wire. Before communication was lost the wind had attained a velocity of fifty miles an hour. The power plant was put out of commission, putting the city in darkness. A number of trees were uprooted and several buildings unroofed.

In Western Louisiana, at Crowley and Jennings, considerable property damage has resulted. The greatest damage is to the rice crop.

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Although it had been raining heavily at New Orleans through last night, there were no indications of a gale, further than might be deduced from a falling barometer, till about 9:30 o'clock this morning, when the gulf wind, great in its intensity, swept over the city.

So strong was the force of the wind that the waters of the Mississippi backed up from the gulf 100 miles below, rose three feet at the New Orleans levee.

The neighboring lakes were agitated till they all overnowed, covering the adjacent lowlands. The gulf waters from Lake Borgne were added to the volume of the flood, and when the latest dispatches came out of New Orleans there were sulfiving raying the

est dispatches came out of New Or-leans there were outlying parts of that gity covered with water, while the winds had damaged several buildings.

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An early blow destroyed the tracks of the Louisville and Nashville road along the coast of New Orleans, and the later gust wiped out the tracks of the Illinois Central north of the isolated city.

The last train to reach Memphis from New Orleans was the through Illinois Central, that arrived here at \$2.15 to-night. Coming north through Louisiana and Mississippi, the train passed through continuous rains almost as far as Jackson, Miss., but there were then no reports of unusual winds. The storm came up soon afterwards terwards

New Orleans in Grave Peril,
ATLANTA, GA., September 20.-4
With all communication with New Orleans and the lower Mississippi cut
off to-night by the guif coast hurricane, and with all efforts to reach the
city futile, much concern is felt for
the Crescent City.
The storm, which had its origin below Cuba and Porto Rico, reached
New Orleans and the guif coast today. At 8 o'cleck this afternoon it

the commander to-night, the Peary family having salled north on the steam yacht Sheelah, owned by James Ross, president of the Dominion Coal Company.

Mrs. Peary's trip toward St. Paul's Island was entirely unexpected for it

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Advance is Begun.

MADRID, September 20.—It is officially attack New Orleans and the gulf coast to-day. At 3 o'clock this afternoon it strops at Mellila have commenced their advances are sufficiently and sorts.

Three Cases of Chelera, VLADIVOSTOK, September 20.—Island was entirely unexpected for it

Three Cases of cholera are officially the coast, indicated that the inhabitants had been driven from their homes and were a danger of their homes.